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For: SEMICONDUCTOR LASER DEVICE OPTICAL)	
DISK APPARATUS AND OPTICAL INTEGRATED UNIT)	

REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION – USPTO MISTAKE

Certificate of Corrections Branch

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Sir:

In reviewing the above-identified patent, a typographical <u>USPTO printing error</u> was discovered therein requiring correction in order to conform to the Official Record in the application. None of the below corrections should be considered substantive in nature, but instead merely correct obvious errors therein.

The errors noted are set forth on the attached copy of Form PTO-1050 (Rev. 3-82) in the manner required by the Commissioner's Notice.

Specifically, upon reviewing the claims 1, 8 and 9 of the issued patent the errors in the attached form were noted. These errors occurred as a result of a <u>USPTO printing error</u> of U.S. Patent No. 7,212,556 B1.

Applicants respectfully submit that corrections to the claims 1, 8 and 9 are supported by Amendment After Final Rejection filed by Applicants' representative on August 7, 2006.

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Since this error was a result of an error on the part of the USPTO, no fees associated with the Certificate of Correction are believed to be due at this time. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees connected with this filing which may be required now, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2380.

Respectfully submitted,

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

in the claims,

claim 1, column 23, line 24, "In_xGa_{1-x}N" should read "In_yGa_{1-y}N."

claim 8, column 24, line 24, "In_xGa_{1-x}N" should read "In_yGa_{1-y}N."

claim 9, column 24, lines 27-29, "a contact layer, which is made of a nitride semiconductor of a first conductivity type and is formed over a substrate;" should be removed.

claim 9, column 24, line 32, "contact layer" should read "substrate"

claim 9, column 24, line 37, "over the active layer; and" should read "over the active layer;"

claim 9, column 24, between line 37 and 38, "an electrode formed over the second cladding layer; and" should be added.

claim 9, column 24, line 38, "the first conductivity type" should read "the second conductivity type"

claim 9, column 24, line 39, "the substrate and" should be removed.

claim 9, column 24, line 39, "the first cladding layer" should read "the second cladding layer."

claim 9, column 24, line 39, after "the first cladding layer" add "and the electrode"

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